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Mr. Patrick McDonald  
Records Supervisor  
Glendale Heights Police Department  
300 Civic Center Drive  
Glendale Heights, Illinois 60139

RE: Pre-Authorization Request – 2010 PAC 6714

Dear Mr. McDonald:

We have received and reviewed the written notice from the Glendale Heights Police Department (Department) of its intent to deny disclosure of certain information as exempt from disclosure under subsection 7(1)(c) of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1 *et seq.*, as amended (FOIA). On April 7, 2010, [REDACTED] requested records relating to case number GL10003845. The Department notified us that it intends to redact dates of birth from those records. The Department asserted that disclosure of the dates of birth would constitute an unwarranted invasion of privacy because of the danger of identity theft, and therefore they are exempt under subsection 7(1)(c) of FOIA.

The Department's use of the exemption in 7(1)(c) with regard to the dates of birth is approved. We have determined that the disclosure of an individual's date of birth would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy under subsection 7(1)(c) of FOIA. 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(c). This information is highly personal, and the subject's right to privacy outweighs any legitimate public interest in disclosing this information. The Department should issue a partial denial letter directly to [REDACTED] and release the records to [REDACTED] with the appropriate information redacted. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (312) 814-5206. This correspondence shall serve to close this matter.

Sincerely,

Cara Smith  
Public Access Counselor

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